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Subject: Microsoft wants to win

About Bill Gates making "security" Job 1 ...

Gates' new "directive" is just the next step in Microsoft's plan to hijack the Internet and charge for every packet.

Microsoft is well along on its plans to convince government representatives, beaurecrats, and coporate CIO officers who don't know any better that the "Internet" is insecure (a believe that is reinforced by Microsoft's intentional lack of security and ease of propagating worms and viruses in Windows). Microsoft will now proceed to convince these folks that for the good of the country and in order to make the "Internet" secure, proprietary Microsoft networking protocols should be required. Legislation to mandate this will be lobbied and passed. Just look at the DMCA as an example. The result will be mandatory use of Microsoft proprietary networking protocols which have to be licensed from Microsoft. Microsoft will then have achieved it goal of being able to charge for every packet on the Internet.

Don't be fooled. Trust the software that started the Internet... UNIX software.

Sincerely,

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Hope your day is as good as mine!